THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE V.V.S.RAO

WRIT PETITION No.17388 of 2006

Dated:25.08.2006

Between:

Pulleti Ramachandrarao, and others.

…Petitioners

and

The Revenue Divisional Officer, and others.

…Respondents

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ORDER:

The Mandal Revenue Officer, the second respondent herein, appears to have assigned house site pattas to as many as thirty eight persons of Muggulla Village, Ganapavaram Mandal, West Godavari District, in respect of the land admeasuring Ac.0.70 cents in R.S.No.43/1 situated in the said Village, which is registered as Gramakantam (Village site poramboke) in the revenue records. Feeling aggrieved by the same, the Gram Panchayat filed W.P.No.18599 of 2005. This Court while declining to interfere at that stage gave liberty to the Gram Panchayat, Muggulla, to prefer an appeal before the Revenue Divisional Officer, Eluru. It appears, accordingly, the Gram Panchayat filed an appeal before the Revenue Divisional Officer on 31.08.2005. The same is pending. The petitioners herein, who claim to be the villagers of Muggulla, allege that the land admeasuring Ac.0.70 cents in R.S.No.43/1 is the only access to them and others to go to their lands, and therefore, assignment cannot be sustained. In this Writ Petition they have restricted their prayer to the extent of seeking a direction to the Revenue Divisional Officer to dispose of the appeal.

After hearing the learned Assistant Government Pleader for Revenue (Assignment) this Court is of considered opinion that as the

appeal is pending for almost about a year, it would be in the interest of the Gram Panchayat and the assignees to dispose of the appeal expeditiously.

The Writ Petition is accordingly disposed of directing the Revenue Divisional Officer to pass appropriate orders in the appeal filed by the Gram Panchayat (third respondent herein) within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. No costs.

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(V.V.S.RAO, J)

25.08.2006

Note: Issue C.C in one week.

B/o.

vs